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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Dear Sir:

This submission is in response to the Examiner's office action dated April 21, 2003 along with a Request for Continued Examination. The Applicant would like to thank the Examiner for the time spent during the telephone interview of September 10. As the Examiner suggested during the telephone interview, Claims 5 and 11 have been amended in this submission to more clearly define finished product as being removed "directly from the first separation step to occur after degermination." With regard to the telephone interview, Applicant respectfully agrees with the Examiner that Claims 5 and